

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 3071 - SB 2957

February 13, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Specifies the court has five days to enter written findings when an appeal or a petition for certiorari is filed, instead of when an appeal of petition for certiorari is filed, regarding cases of dependent and neglected children. Requires the training received by a guardian ad litem, appointed for a child in juvenile court hearings, to include training in early childhood, child, and adolescent development by a qualified professional. Specifies that subsequent permanency hearings for a child in foster care shall occur every 12 months from the date of the previous permanency hearing.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The correction of a typographical error will not result in a fiscal impact to state or local government.
- According to the Department of Children's Services, the provisions of the bill codify current federal regulations that the Department meets. Any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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